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News Release

HPD Arrests Two for Copper Thefts

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Early this morning, the Harrisonburg Police Department arrested two males for stealing copper.

Around 4 a.m. officers responded to Dean Brothers, 1358 N. Main St. for the report of a commercial burglary.

An officer responding to the incident spotted the vehicle, which was described as being involved, and two males in the 1200 block of Old Furnace Road.

Jonathan Artope, 22, and Carroll Wade, 40, both of Harrisonburg were each charged with the following:

- Breaking and entering (three counts)
- Possession of burglary tools
- Trespassing
- Property damage.

Artope was additionally charged with driving on a suspended license.

"This quick arrest was possible through cooperation between witnesses to the crime and patrol officers responding to the scene," said Mary-Hope Vass, Public Information Officer & Crime Analyst.

HPD continues to investigate this incident and work to determine if these to individuals are involved in any other copper thefts.

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Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call Crime Solvers at 540-574-5050 or text "HPD" plus your tip to 274637 (CRIMES).



Carroll Wade



Jonathan Artope

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